CAMBODIA CAMPAIGN TO BAN LANDMINES AND CLUSTER MUNITIONS (CCBL)

STATEMENT FROM CCBL

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Mine Clearance Agencies in Cambodia are committed to collaborate and finish clearing Cambodia from its legacies of mines, cluster munitions and UXO.

Their clearance Tool Kit includes manual de-mining with metal detectors, dogs, rats and mechanical clearance machines. Operators note that different terrains and different types of weapon, indicate appropriate clearance methods for different fields.

Not all tools can be used in all places

It is possible to finish the job of clearing the mines, cluster munitions, and other UXO by 2025.

IF

Sufficient funding is made available to the competent, dedicated clearance teams.

Operators are given full access to the border mine fields.

A body is responsible for the clearance of any residual ordinance found after 2025.

FROM WHERE CAN THE FUNDS BE ACQUIRED

- Other states continuing to fund the effort till 2025 through their development, human security, and mine action budgets.
- Wealthy Cambodians and businesses contributing significantly.
- Corporate funders donating to clearance as part of their humanitarian legacy.
- Individuals giving small and large donations

WE CAN FINISH THE JOB BY 2025

The Campaign to Ban Landmines and Cluster Munitions applauds the appreciation of the mine/uxo/cluster munitions clearing agencies made by Prime Minister Hun Sen on 24 February 2016.

It calls on the Cambodia Government to now join the Cluster Munitions Convention and exercise the same leadership it did in 1997 when it joined the Mine Ban Treaty.